Dear Paul, 8/20/79

Your 8/15: Thanks for the Becker cite. Lardner sent me a xerox of those pages and I've read them. Also agree with you. My copy of Green Felt Jungle is gone, probably not returned by S. Malone. Don't have 7 yet. If yousee any other relevant stuff please let me know because I have neither time nor reside to put in emotional hip boots and wade through the sewers. However, I think that may be the next big disinformational line and want to be prepared for it to the degree possible.

On appeals: when I suggest to Shea that his people can consult you I'll carbon you.

I don't know what explains the FBI's Shaw's records. But the reference to the 1964 one is in a 1967 one, or they were looking into him at the time of the WC but did not tell it, which is what they told Clark, who in Hoover's words blabbed. As of 1967 the first law was the usual law, cover the Bureau's ass. From the obliterated reference I believe there was no ref. to Ferrie and I would not expect that Shaw would associate with a Ferrie. I though I sent that to you - all I saw.

I'm not checking further than the 3rd-man fnote (thanks) on 98: the men in the WDSU film are Ehara and Alice and not this associate of whim I heard from both Core and Steele. Nor is there any indication that there were two with him at the time of the arrest, only one other. If I did not send you those records it will be easier to get them from Gary Mack or Earl Golz, to whom I sent them, either or both, for a story Earl is working on. I've loaned him the Dyyle film and referred him to Schoener for Martin, which he has. But with that kind if looseness with fact it is understandable that the committee had no real interest in finding that person. What I think you'd be wise to understand is that they came up with the conspiracy angle only because their's putdown of all putdowns kicked back. To then, regardless of what you've been told, they worked hard to avoid any possibility of coming up with anything.

No restriction on the Shaw or 3d-man records but I hope people don't do wild with Shaw in particular.

I think I'd heard before that Bradlee killed than Pearson 3/3/67 column and I can see a logical journalistic reason for it. But is there more, other reason?

On your 8/4 list I'd appreciate 1,2,3.

I've read the citations to 221ff and 183f and find this treatment of the Army Intelligence and its destroyed records entirely inadequate. I learned easily what they omit and they omit all ref. to Powell and those ~~xxxxxxx~~ records.

There were three Army JFK files Army intel. destroyed plus all the records of that 112th group, except for a few at Indiantown Gap, which the committee could have gotten. So it wasn't just nuke files. I gave them what they used hoping it would smoke some out.

I don't know that it means anything but I can't imagine a clerk stupid enough to destroy records relating to the assassination of a Preisent on her own.

I'd not be surprised if at some future date a duplicate microfilm surfaces.

Sincerely,